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Sent: Sun 1/19/2014 10:36:39 PM
Subject: Re: ATSDR "Short Term" Health Advisory for MCHM

Thanks Becki. I think ATSDR can work this in.

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Chris,

One edit to suggest: in the verbiage after #7 you state "The 4-week NOEL represents a scientifically sound and preferred point of departure..." I recommend you change the sentence to "The 4-week NOEL represents a more scientifically sound study and preferred point of departure for establishing a short term health advisory for MCHM." While the 4-week study is a great improvement, it is not a strong study due to the small number of rats in the dose groups.

I'm not sure whether you want to consider this a show stopper, but modifying the statement may make it more defensible.

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All,

On behalf of Vik Kapil of ATSDR, attached is an ATSDR-revised "plain language" "short-term" HA for the chemical spill in WV. This morning, WV is reporting all samples as non-detect at a reporting limit of

10ppb. If you could please have a look at the ATSDR final draft and identify any "show stopping" edits that might need to be made prior to release, I will pass those along to ATSDR.

The attached language is to be posted on the ATSDR website within 24 hours or less.

Sorry for the short notice and thanks again.

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